

DON'T LET LAND LIE OUT IDE.

Study Plan for Profitable Use of the Acreage Cut from Cotton.

Clemson College, March 27.—In connection with the cotton acreage reduction, what crops should be given increased acreage in 1919? And what are the prospects for profits from crops other than cotton? A number of factors enter into the answers to these questions now engaging the interest of farmers of South Carolina.

The Extension Service of Clemson College.

It has been the common experience of the South to receive less money for a fifteen-million bale crop of cotton than for an eleven-million bale crop. With an average season the same number of acres we had in cotton last year will produce this year fifteen million bales. Such a crop, in view of the high cost of production this year, would probably be marketed at a serious loss to the producers.

Many farmers in this State and throughout the South have learned to live at home by supplying practically all their needs from the farm. This policy needs to be applied to every farm in the State, rented farms included. The landlord will necessarily have to take the initiative in inducing tenants to produce needed supplies. Such a course as this will lead to the commercial freedom of the South, restoration of fertility to the land, and a permanent, profitable agriculture.

What should we plant in South Carolina on those lands taken out of cotton? We cannot afford to let the fields lie idle any more than we can afford to raise cotton at a loss.

To properly answer the above question will require some thought on the part of every farmer. The best layout of crops for one farm might not suit another nearby farm. The guiding principle should be in each case to plant crops that promise to pay better than cheap cotton. So far as is possible, crops should be grown that can be fed to live stock. When crops are fed on the farm and the manure returned to the land the soil is enriched, whereas cotton does not increase the fertility of the land.

Certainly there should be an increased acreage this year in corn with velvet beans, sorghum for feed and syrup, sugar cane for syrup, legume hay crops, soy beans and peanuts for hogs, sweet and Irish potatoes, home gardens, and permanent pastures. Plans should be made this spring for putting in a per acreage in each crop.

In planning a system of crops the labor requirements for each crop must be taken into consideration. Frequently the crop which sells for the most per acre is not the most profitable crop because of the excessive labor cost of that crop.

Labor is now the most expensive requirement for crop production. Crops which require less labor—such, for instance, as alfalfa—may compete successfully with cotton. There are hundreds of farms in the State which have their most profitable acres in permanent pasture, sodded to Bermuda grass. Along the Coastal Plain velvet beans, soy beans and peanuts, when pastured by live stock, make large returns at a small labor cost.

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Supreme Court Session.

Columbia, March 28.—The supreme court will convene for the spring term April 8. The tenth circuit will be called Friday, May 9, and the cases heard as follows: Medlin vs. Moss, sheriff; Campbell vs. Home Insurance Company, of New York; Standard Boiler and Plate Iron Company vs. Brock; Cole, Adm., vs. Jefferson Standard Insurance Company; Commercial Security Company vs. Donald Drug Company and Loveland vs. M. S. Nimmons Company.

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LEGISLATIVE WORK.

(Third Article.)

Just a short while before my good road measures were killed in the House, at my suggestion Mr. McDonald came to my room for the purpose of discussing Oconee county matters, and in the course of conversation the question of the new County Board was mentioned, when Mr. McDonald intimated that he expected to be the clerk of the board. I then told him that he could not hold the office of clerk of the board and retain his seat as a member of the House at the same time; that the constitution forbids it. He said that if that be true he could resign his place as a member of the House; that he would take the clerkship if he could get it; that it would "pay his grocery bills."

I learn that he has taken the place of clerk in the face of the prohibition of the constitution, which is in the following words:

"Every qualified elector shall be eligible to any office to be voted for, unless disqualified by age, as prescribed by this constitution; but no person shall hold two offices of honor or profit at the same time."

It seems to me that, in accepting this new place, Mr. McDonald has vacated his place as member of the House, which I feel is unfortunate. The Supreme Court, in the case of the State vs. Coleman, 54 S. C., 283, has held that where a person held one office, and while so holding accepts another, he by that act alone vacates the first. If Mr. McDonald has accepted the office of clerk of the County Board, I regret it, because I do feel that each person should at least respect the constitution under which he lives, and no amount of money should induce one to depart from its mandate.

Of State-wide Importance.

Now we come to the discussion of a matter of State-wide importance—the good roads proposition. In the first place, it is important that all people should understand what the proposition is. It is a plan to build roads to connect all the Court House towns of the State—not to build any roads from the farms to the markets, but to build roads leading from one Court House to another. To do this will take between 2,000 and 3,000 miles of roads. The proposition is to make all these hard surface roads and to do this will cost something like \$60,000,000. If all this sum is to be collected out of the people it will create a hardship for the amount is one-sixth of the assessed value of the whole property of the State; but it is said that the United States government will defray half of the expense. We are informed that it has enacted a law agreeing to appropriate \$100,000,000, to be divided among the States, which will give to South Carolina something like \$5,000,000. But suppose the United States government does defray one-half the whole cost; that will still leave \$30,000,000 for the State of South Carolina to raise, and the interest on this sum will be annually \$1,500,000, and to raise a sufficient sum to pay the same will take a levy of three and one-half mills on all the property of the State, and an additional levy sufficient to create a sinking fund besides. With the expenditure of such a large sum, what would our county get in return? Likely, less than twenty miles of road, and that from Walhalla to Clemson. This would leave more than twelve hundred miles of roads in Oconee county to be kept up by our people by an additional tax. The proposed plan would tax people at Fair Play, Madison, Long Creek, and other sections remote from the proposed good road, to build this road from Walhalla to Clemson. Would that be an equitable and fair tax? I think not. The most needed road work is called for from the farms to the markets, where the farmers—the producers—need it over which to haul their produce to market to feed and clothe the world; and not for joy-riders from town to town. Now, the above is the good roads plan we are to discuss.

The first proposition is what is known as the Rhett plan, which was to ask the State to issue bonds in the sum of \$25,000,000, which they called the State loaning its credit to the automobile owners, who would repay the same by a license on automobiles as follows: \$1.00 per horse-power on all automobiles and \$2.00 per horse-power on motor trucks. But if you will take your pencil and figure a little you will find that the 55,000 automobiles in the State would not raise enough to pay the interest, much less pay off the bonds when they become due. "Yes," they say, "but we are sure we will have more than 100,000 cars in the State within a year or two." Now, does it take a financier to see what will happen should this plan be adopted? Can't you see the whole upshot of the matter would be that the bonds, once issued, would be a debt of the State, and payment would fall upon all of the property of

the State? The promoters of the plan can see it, too, but they desire the bonds. City and town pleasure riders want hard-surface roads for their cars.

It is needless for me to tell you that I opposed this legislation. My friend, Mr. McDonald, I am told, favored it. But this may not be sufficient to condemn him. He may be right and I may be wrong.

Besides, this plan does not give to the country car owners, who do not use such roads as those from Court House town to Court House town, any show whatever. They pay, but use not. But, say the promoters, they must pay and be found unselfish; they must not complain that the road does not run by their house or town. That would show lack of proper appreciation for the good of their neighbors. Good roads, nevertheless, are for the good of the public, and none of our people should show selfishness. Are the advocates of this plan of good roads as unselfish as they ask the great country public to be? Do they propose to fall in and help build the roads from the farms to the markets? Nay, verily.

The next plan offered after the one above "died under the knife" was to build the same roads by a license tax of fifty cents per horse-power on automobiles and one dollar per horse-power on motor trucks and a one-mill tax on all property. This, they admit, will not suffice for the work, but, they say, "it will be a starter," and it will be easier to levy a heavier tax afterwards. While this would be a more equitable plan than the other, still it lacks fairness. Like the other plan, it is only to build roads from Court House town to Court House town, and it proposes to tax people to build a system of roads that will be of little benefit to them, because they will enjoy little opportunity to use them, while the roads they badly need will be entirely neglected. Besides, it is tacitly admitted that the tax proposed is only a feeble starter; that the rate will have to be increased from three to five times in the right near future. Now, is it equitable that a tax be placed on the property of certain persons in the county for the building of a road that does not come within fifteen or twenty miles of them? I think not. All the people ought to assist in building roads, but at the same time they ought to reap some direct benefit therefrom.

Coneross Local News.

Coneross, March 24.—Special: Charlie Dufosse, of Greer, spent a short while with relatives and friends in the community one day last week. Frank Robertson, of Mountain Rest, spent Sunday with friends in the Coneross community.

Misses Lethie and Beulah Barker are spending some time with their sister, Mrs. C. E. Dufosse, at Greer.

Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Hubbard, of Richland, spent Sunday here with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Barker, of Walhalla, spent last Sunday at the home of G. F. Barker here. They were accompanied by their daughter.

Miss Mary Lee Walker, who is teaching at Picket Post, spent the week-end here with homefolks.

Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Armstrong, of the Richland community, spent last Sunday visiting at the home of the Messrs. and Misses Barker.

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Carolina Congratulated.

The fact that South Carolina was congratulated on having the most complete organization to date in the Fifth Federal Reserve District at the conference of State chairmen held in Richmond on Friday, March 21st, gives every loyal citizen a right to be proud. In the Victory Loan drive to begin April 21 and end on May 10th, South Carolina must again take the lead and come out with flying colors when the race is won.

The Liberty Loan committees for South Carolina were represented at the conference in Richmond by Chas. H. Barron, State chairman; J. J. Simpson, vice State chairman; E. H. Pringle, chairman of Charleston county and a member of the State executive committee; Mrs. Frederick S. Munsell, State chairman, and Mrs. T. L. Weston, chairman of the Seventh Congressional District of the Woman's Committee.

A telegram from Mrs. Munsell on Saturday announced that chairmen from every State in the Fifth Federal Reserve District joined in praising South Carolina on the splendid record made. The States represented in this district are South Carolina, North Carolina, Virginia, West Virginia, Maryland and the District of Columbia.

"The joint session of the men's and women's committees was most gratifying," Mrs. Munsell reports. Co-ordination is the watchword we have adopted. Thanksgiving will be the keynote of the campaign, and the slogan: "Not death-knells, but Liberty Bells!"

Among the speakers on the program were Mrs. Antoinette B. Funk, vice chairman of the National Woman's Liberty Loan Committee, and Lewis B. Franklin, director of the War Loan Organization.

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quarters from various parts of the occupied zone indicate an increase in the number of rows and fights between soldiers and civilians. In several districts there have been more signs recently of a hostile feeling against the Americans than were in evidence previously.

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